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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF VERDE WEST IRRIGATION FOR APPROVAL OF AN EMERGENCY RATE INCREASE.

DOCKET NO. I-02274A-15-0285

PROCEDURAL ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

On August 6, 2015, Verde West Irrigation ("Verde West" or "Company") filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") an application for an emergency rate increase to customers in the Company's service area in Camp Verde, Arizona.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that a **Procedural Conference** shall commence on **August 26, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.**, or as soon thereafter as is practical, at the Commission's offices, 1200 West Washington Street, Hearing Room No. 2, Phoenix, Arizona.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, as permitted under A.A.C. R14-3-107(B), each party to this matter may opt to receive service of all filings in this docket, including all filings by parties and all Procedural Orders and Recommended Opinions and Orders/Recommended Orders issued by the Commission's Hearing Division, via email sent to an email address provided by the party rather than via U.S. Mail. To exercise this option, a party shall:

- 1. Ensure that the party has a valid and active email address to which the party has regular and reliable access ("designated email address");
- Complete a Consent to Email Service form, available on the Commission's website (www.azcc.gov);
- 3. File the original and 13 copies of the Consent to Email Service form with the Commission's Docket Control, also providing service to each party to the service list;

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- 4. Send an email, containing the party's name and the docket number for this matter, to HearingDivisionServicebyEmail@azcc.gov from the designated email address, to allow the Hearing Division to verify the validity of the designated email address;
- 5. Understand and agree that service of a document on the party shall be complete upon the sending of an email containing the document to the designated email address, regardless of whether the party receives or reads the email containing the document; and
- 6. Understand and agree that the party will no longer receive service of filings in this matter through First Class U.S. Mail or any other form of hard-copy delivery, unless and until the party withdraws this consent through a filing made in this docket.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a party's consent to email service shall not become effective until a Procedural Order is issued approving the use of email service for the party. The Procedural Order shall be issued only after the party has completed steps 1 through 4 above, and the Hearing Division has verified receipt of an email from the party's designated email address.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a party's election to receive service of all filings in this matter via email does not change the requirement that all filings with the Commission's Docket Control must be made in hard copy and must include an original and 13 copies.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all parties must comply with Arizona Supreme Court Rules 31, 38, 42 and A.R.S. § 40-243 with respect to the practice of law and admission *pro hac vice*.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Ex Parte Rule (A.A.C. R14-3-113 – Unauthorized Communications) applies to this proceeding and shall remain in effect until the Commission's Decision in this matter is final and non-appealable.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that withdrawal of representation must be made in compliance with A.A.C. R14-3-104(E) and Rule 1.16 of the Rules of Professional Conduct (under Arizona Supreme Court Rule 42). Representation before the Commission includes appearances at all hearings and procedural conferences, as well as all Open Meetings for which the matter is scheduled for discussion unless counsel has previously been granted permission to withdraw by the Administrative Law Judge or the Commission.

1	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Administrative Law Judge may rescind, alter, amend,
2	or waive any portion of this Procedural Order either by subsequent Procedural Order or by ruling at
3	hearing.
4	DATED this day of August, 2015.
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7	SCOTT M. HESLA ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
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9	Copies of the foregoing mailed/delivered this day of August, 2015 to:
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